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House Resolution 318

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commemorating the Keep Georgia Beautiful program and its 76 local affiliates who serve
- 2 75 percent of the population of the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful, a program of the Georgia Department of Community
- 4 Affairs, was founded in 1978 as the first state affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, Inc.; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful builds and sustains community environmental activities
- 6 and behaviors for a more beautiful and environmentally aware Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful and its 76 local Keep America Beautiful affiliates
- 8 enhance the quality of life in Georgia by focusing on litter prevention, community
- 9 beautification and improvement, and reducing the impact of waste on communities; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful and local Keep America Beautiful affiliates conduct
- educational and community improvement activities and programs that change behaviors and
- 12 attitudes toward the environment; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the success enjoyed by Keep Georgia Beautiful and its local programs is built
- 14 upon strong partnerships with government, private businesses, schools, and
- 15 citizen-volunteers at the grassroots level; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful and its programs empower local people to take
- 17 responsibility for preserving and protecting Georgia's natural resources and environment.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 the members of this body commemorate the Keep Georgia Beautiful program and its 76 local
- affiliates whose 400,000 volunteers amassed 2 million volunteer man-hours and donated \$27
- 21 million in benefits to Georgia communities over time.

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the public and the press.